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Admiral Stansfield Turner Director of Central Intelligence 20505 Washington, D.C.

> Re: Miller v. CIA (Civil Action No. 77-1029 U.S.D.C. D.C.)

Dear Director Turner:

The Senate Select Committee on Intelligence has been informed that certain Congressional materials, currently in the physical custody of your Agency, have been requested pursuant to provisions of the Freedom of Information Act. More specifically, the Committee understands that the material requested includes material and information originating with this Committee and its predecessor, material prepared for the Committee in response to its expressed interests and any written material resulting from specific questions put to your Agency.

This Committee (pursuant to S. Res. 400, 94th Cong.) and its predecessor, the Select Committee to Study Governmental Operations with Respect to Intelligence Activities, (pursuant to S. Res. 21, 94th Cong.) has exchanged with your Agency considerable information and documents of a very sensitive nature. For historical and practical reasons, this exchange of information and documents is an essential part of the consultative and deliberative process between the two branches. It is essential that this process continue if this Committee is to discharge its obligations to the U.S. Senate and the American people. When this Committee completes its work in an area, a determination will be made according to the applicable Senate rules as to what information can and should be released to the public, after a careful weighing of all the relevant considerations. sistent with this approach, strict security procedures are in effect for all of the Committee's intelligence activities records.

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We request that this Congressional material and information not be disclosed outside of your Agency without this Committee's written concurrence. Should you desire to release any SSCI material for any purpose, we request that you obtain the Committee's approval prior to making such a release.

Sincerely

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